

House Resolution 851

By: Representatives Neal of the 1st and Scott of the 2nd

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the LaFayette High School wrestling team 2007 AA State
2 Tournament Champions and inviting them to appear before the House of Representatives;
3 and for other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, the LaFayette High School wrestling team has proven itself to be one of the
5 great wrestling programs in Georgia as their season accomplishments include 2007 Area
6 Dual Champions, 2007 AA State Duals Runner-up; 2007 Area Tournament Champions; and
7 2007 AA State Tournament Champions; and

8 WHEREAS, the hard work, determination, and competitive spirit of these exceptional
9 athletes contributed to the success of the LaFayette High School wrestling team, significantly
10 influenced their personal development, and offered them memories they will cherish for a
11 lifetime; and

12 WHEREAS, all of these team players have benefited greatly from the expert training,
13 dedication, and encouragement provided by the amazing coaching staff of Sam Forester, Lee
14 Dendy, and Will Dendy; and

15 WHEREAS, seniors Wade Gilbert (2nd in region and state runner-up); Chris Groce; Billy
16 Bob Jackson; Chat Jennings (2nd in region); Clay Lee (Region Champion and 3rd in state);
17 Isaac Smith (3rd in region); Ian Stephens (Region Champion and State Champion); and Will
18 Weldon (Region Champion and state runner-up) have had a phenomenal record, including
19 among their many victories being named the 2004 State Duals Champions and the 2007 State
20 Tournament Champions; and

21 WHEREAS, other members of this outstanding team are junior Tyler Smith (2nd in region,
22 4th in state); sophomores Cain Battles, Aaron Burnette, Joe Franks (3rd in region), Will
23 Gilbert (2nd in region and 6th in state), Justin Gilbreath (2nd in region and 4th in state),
24 Caleb Hartshorn (5th in region), Casey Hill, Zimbe Kimbugwe, Chad Little, Tyler Nix,

1 Dustin Peek, Steven Simpson, Derek Thompson (2nd in region), and Cody West; and
2 freshmen Justin Devine, Blake Dewey, Ky Hart (Region Champion and 4th in state), Sam
3 Narmore, Josh Queen, Jesse Rape, Seth Taylor, Kody Wallace, and Brandon Wallin (3rd in
4 region and 6th in state); and

5 WHEREAS, this talented and well-coached wrestling team has displayed the qualities of
6 hard work, discipline, and a commitment to excellence throughout this season, and the
7 LaFayette community as well as the State of Georgia take great pride in the accomplishments
8 of these fine young champions.

9 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
10 the members of this body join in commending the members of the LaFayette High School
11 wrestling team, winners of the 2007 AA State Tournament Championship, and extending
12 their best wishes for the team's continued success and invite them to appear before this body
13 on a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
15 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the LaFayette High School
16 wrestling team and Coaches Sam Forester, Lee Dendy, and Will Dendy.